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SCHOOL

AND

FINANCIAL REPORTS,

OF THE

TOWN OF PETERBORO',

RENDERED FEB., 1868.



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SCHOOL REPORT.

The Superintending School Committee submit the following Report :

Dist. No. 1. First Dep't. Summer Term.

Prudential Committee: { R. B. HATCH, ESQ.,
EBEN'R JONES,
JOHN N. THAYER.

Teacher, MISS BELLE H. LEWIS, Claremont, N. H.

The schools in this District are large, and require firmness and vigilance on the part of the teacher for their successful management. Miss Lewis is an experienced teacher and a strict disciplinarian. The school was quiet, orderly, and studious, and gave general satisfaction, as far as is known to your committee.

Winter Term.

Teacher, MR. STEPHEN A. SAWYER.

This is the second term Mr. Sawyer has had charge of this school. The success of the former term led us

to expect much this term. The school was larger than it had been for a number of terms. The teacher labored with the same energy and perseverance which has characterized him heretofore. The strict discipline and the practical method of instruction has done much to make this a successful and profitable term.

Second Dep't. Summer Term.

Teacher, MISS SUSIE P. SMITH.

Miss Smith gained the confidence of her pupils, and labored earnestly and faithfully. Her school was a pleasant and profitable one, and her pupils made good improvement in their studies.

Fall Term.

The school was taught by the same teacher as in summer, and the same remarks are applicable.

Winter Term.

Teacher, MR. FRED. A. THAYER, New Ipswich.

Mr. Thayer is a young man and a fine scholar. The school was very large, and this was his first term. He labored hard and faithfully, but did not succeed in getting the good will of the scholars, and there was not that order which is essential for a first-class school. With a less difficult school, we think he would have met with complete success. The school closed the eighth week on account of sickness of the teacher.

Third Dep't. Summer and Fall Terms.

Mrs. Hale is a veteran in this school, and we speak greatly in her praise as a teacher, when we say that her success was equal to her former successes in this Department.

Dist. No. 2. Summer and Winter Terms.

Prudential Committee : ALBERT W. NOONE.

Teacher, MISS M. FLORENCE TAGGART.

This school was under the charge of Miss Taggart for both summer and winter terms. She is a strict disciplinarian and a faithful and efficient teacher. The appearance of the school when visited by your committee was creditable alike to teacher and pupils.

Dist. No. 3. Summer Term.

Prudential Committee : HENRY FIELD.

Teacher, MRS. ELLEN R. PAGE.

This teacher evinced a great interest in her profession and a special aptitude for instructing the young. The relations between teacher and pupils were pleasant, and the term was a profitable one.

Winter Term.

Teacher, JONATHAN SMITH.

There seemed to be a hearty co-operation between teacher and scholars in their endeavors to have a good school, and the examination gave evidence of thorough, earnest work on the part of the teacher,

and of studious habits on the part of the scholars. Good progress was made in all branches of study pursued, and the improvement in the reading classes was especially marked.

Dist. No. 4. Summer and Fall Terms.

Prudential Committee: T. MORRISON LONGLEY.

Teacher, MISS CARRIE ROBBE.

This was Miss Robbe's first experience in teaching. The school was small in summer, and made up of small scholars; but in the fall term was largely increased by scholars from other districts. The school appeared well and was satisfactory to the people of the district and your committee.

Dist. No. 5. Summer Term.

Prudential Committee, MR. JOHN STUART.

Teacher, MISS EMMA F. UPTON.

This was Miss Upton's first term of teaching. The scholars were mostly small and very backward. There was not that harmony and good feeling among the scholars which is desirable. The teacher labored faithfully, and the examination showed that her labors had been crowned with success.

Winter Term.

Teacher, MISS MARY J. PARKER.

Miss Parker is an old teacher, and taught school in this district about twenty years ago. We have

scarcely witnessed such a marked change in the general manners of scholars as was effected in this school during the present term. Under her efficient management the school was a complete success, and the district would do well to secure her services for another term.

Dist. No. 6. Summer Term.

Prudential Committee : B. F. SMILEY.

Teacher, MISS MARY JANE PARKER.

Miss Parker has had a large and successful experience as a teacher of common schools.

Winter Term.

Teacher, WILLIAM A. HOLMAN, Francestown.

This is one of our large schools, and the teacher was without previous experience in teaching. But he went into the school with an earnest purpose and determination to succeed, and the examination at the close of the school showed that there had been good discipline and faithful instruction during the term.

Dist. No. 7. Summer Term.

Prudential Committee : MR. FREDERICK A. TARBELL.

Teacher, MRS. M. LIZZIE TARBELL.

This is one of our smallest schools. Mrs. Tarbell has had much experience in teaching, and this was her second term in this district. The district was very fortunate in securing the services of an experi-

enced teacher for so small a school. The examination was a credit to both teacher and scholars.

Fall Term.

Teacher, MISS ELLEN NAHOR.

This was Miss Nahor's first term, and in her own district. The school appeared well. The scholars, though young, were studious, which made it a pleasant and profitable term.

Winter Term.

Teacher, MISS ANNIE J. GREGG.

The school was small. Miss Gregg labored faithfully, and had a pleasant term. The examination showed that the scholars had made good progress during the term and the school had been a success.

Dist. No. 8. Summer Term.

Prudential Committee: MR. JONES DODGE.

Teacher, MISS MARY N. THOMPSON.

This is one of our small schools. Miss Thompson had taught in this district before, and they were prepared to appreciate her services. The school was a success, and the parents were well satisfied with the result of the examination.

Winter Term.

Teacher, MISS MARY E. SHELDON, Hancock.

This was Miss Sheldon's first term. She had but five scholars. They were mostly young, but acquit-

ted themselves creditably on examination day. They showed thoroughness, especially in geography.

Dist. No. 9. Summer and Fall Terms.

Prudential Committee : MR. JOSEPH DAVIS.

Teacher, MISS MARTHA R. WILDER.

Miss Wilder has taught school a number of years in this town, and is well known as a teacher. The examination of the summer term appeared well, with the exception that the discipline was not so good as desirable. The fall term was very successful. The prompt and intelligent answers on the day of examination showed the thoroughness of the scholars and the progress which they had made during the term.

Winter Term.

Teacher, MR. WILLIAM MOORE.

Mr. Moore has taught school a number of terms in this and adjoining towns. His manner of teaching is somewhat peculiar. The school was small the present term for this district. The examination showed that they had been over but very little ground, but had gone thorough, and been very precise in all their definitions. Some of the reading classes evinced thorough drill on the part of the teacher, and much progress made by the scholars.

Dist. No. 10. Winter Term.

Prudential Committee : MR. P. R. DAVIS.

Teacher, MISS ANN S. TUTTLE, Hancock.

This was the only term during the year, and there were but two scholars. They were very fortunate

in having the services of a teacher so ably qualified to instruct them.

Dist. No. 11. Summer and Fall Terms.

Prudential Committee : BENJ. S. NICHOLS.

Teacher, MISS HATTIE M. PERRY, Jaffrey.

This is a new district, and no school house having yet been erected, the school was held in a room in a private house. This was Miss Perry's first school. It seemed to your committee, that if the instruction had been more practical, and the teacher had relied less on the text-books, it would have been an improvement in her method of teaching. There seemed to be quite an improvement in this respect during the winter term. The order was good and the school gave general satisfaction.

General Remarks.

We have spoken briefly of each term of school taught during the year. The village schools during the winter were very large. There were not seats enough to accommodate all the scholars. If these schools should continue to increase in size, it will become necessary either to have another school during the winter, or make some change in the present rooms. The schools in districts 4, 7, 8, 10 and 11, were small,

and your committee would recommend some change, if possible, in some of the districts, either by uniting two districts, or redistricting the town in such a manner as to have less districts with larger schools. At the present time it necessarily takes too large a proportion of the school money to maintain those schools with from two to eight scholars.

The writing of compositions has been almost entirely excluded from our schools. We think that this, together with declamations, should be an exercise in every school.

There is an erroneous idea very prevalent with many of our scholars, that, in order to be good scholars, they must use advanced books. Especially is this true in regard to reading and Eaton's Arithmetic. Many use the Fifth Reader who are poorly qualified to read in the Fourth. We consider Eaton's one step higher than Adams'; but we find many scholars blundering through the last part of Eaton's who are not able to solve practical problems based on principles found in Adams'. Colburn's Arithmetic is receiving too little attention in our schools. This is the most useful book for the child; and unless it is thoroughly studied and fully understood by the scholar, he is not prepared to commence Adams'. More pains should be taken to instil into the scholars' minds those principles which they can successfully apply in the common business of life.

E. M. SMITH,	} S. S. Committee
EUGENE LEWIS,	
	of Peterboro'.

TABULAR VIEW
OF
SUMMER SCHOOLS.

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*Not reported by Teacher.

TABULAR VIEW

OF

WINTER SCHOOLS.

Districts.

NAMES OF TEACHERS :

1	Mr. Stephen A. Sawyer,.....
1	Mr. Fred. A. Thayer,†.....
2	Miss M. Florence Taggart,.....
3	Mr. Jona. Smith,.....
4	Miss Carrie J. Robbe,.....
5	Miss Mary J. Parker,.....
6	Mr. William A. Holman,.....
7	Miss Annie J. Gregg,.....
8	Miss Mary E. Sheldon,.....
9	Mr. William Moore,.....
10	Miss Ann S. Tuttle,†.....
11	Miss Hattie M. Perry,.....

†Register not returned by Teacher.

‡School has not closed.

*Not reported by Teacher.

Length of school in weeks.	Number of Pupils.	Males.	Females.	Average Attendance.	Tardiness.	Dismissal.	Not absent one-half day.	Reading.	Spelling.	Pennmanship.	Arithmetic.	Algebra.	Grammar.	Geography.	Compositions.	History.	Physiology.	Other Studies.	Wages of Teacher per month including board.	Visits Superintending Committee.	Visits Prudential Committee.	Visits by citizens and others.
11	60	32	28	52½	42	74	15	60	60	45	59	11	42	10			3	29	\$52	6	8	165
10½	38	26	12	32½	32	8	9	37	37	27	35	1	6	17	*		*	36	2			83
12	29	18	11	25½	65	27	5	29	29	16	25		14	8		2		8	37	2	1	60
10	17	9	8	*	9	5	3	17	17	9	14		3	10					22	2	2	*
12	26	18	8	22	7	2	2	26	26	12	22		1	15					24	2	2	33
11	36	20	16	32	13	11	3	36	36	20	32		11	25		1			34	2		12
12	11	6	5	9½	12	3	4	11	10	6	9	1	3	5		2			22½	2	2	28
11	5	2	3	5	11	4	2	5	5	2	4	1	1	3					20	2	1	9
10	38	18	20	34	24	10	8	38	37	38		4	23	28					52	2	1	51
9	10	5	5	7½	9	1	2	10	10	5	6		2	4		1			16		1	*

REPORT ON TOWN LIBRARY.

Volumes in the Library, March, 1867,	2221	
Since added,	131	
	<hr/>	2352
Worn out and lost,		5
Total,		<hr/> 2347

Receipts and Expenditures.

Balance from last year,	\$11 66	
Town appropriation,	75 00	
Subscription,	100 00	
Fines,	14 24	
Old Books,	05	
	<hr/>	\$200 95
Expended for new books,	\$169 25	
Repairs,	15 17	
Sundries,	2 06	
	<hr/>	\$186 48
Balance,		\$14 47

The Library has been well kept and is in good condition, so far as the Librarian is concerned; but the Committee renew their remonstrance against the unnecessary injury to the books from carelessness and misuse. Some 170 volumes now need repairing, two-thirds of which results from a censurable misuse of public property. Whatever is expended in repairs makes, of course, so much smaller the small sum appropriated to the Library. Three books have been lost during the year, for which no one can be held justly responsible; two being burned with the town farm house, and the other with the house of Daniel Allen. Thirty volumes have been given by Miss A. C. Payson, and four by Mrs. E. J. Hale. One hundred dollars have been subscribed and given by the following persons: M. L. Morrison, J. R. Miller, E. M. Tubbs, R. B. Hatch, O. Felt, A. P. Morrison, J. Livingston, C. H. Brooks, H. A. W. Marsh, J. Gates, A. J. Aldrich, J. Noone, C. B. Ferry, A. M. Pendleton, S. N. Porter, M. Nay, G. T. Wheeler, S. I. Vose, five dollars each; E. B. Dodge, Dr. A. Smith, two dollars each, and W. Low, E. R. Farnsworth, J. Scott, J. Wilder, Dr. Cutler, and P. McLaughlin, one dollar each. Seven persons have failed to comply with the rule which requires all books to be returned to the Library on or before the first Monday in March.

A. M. PENDLETON,	}	Committee
S. A. SAWYER,		on
EUGENE LEWIS,		Town Library.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RENDERED FEB. 1, 1868.

E. H. SMITH, Treasurer, in acct. with the town of Peterboro'.

DEBTOR.

S. H. Caldwell, Treasurer 1866,	\$3679 43
Selectmen, borrowed money,	6379 48
S. H. Caldwell, Collector 1866,	900 00
Circus,	30 00
G. T. Wheeler & Co., store rent,	325 00
Masons' and Odd Fellows' Hall rent,	52 00
J. R. Miller, store rent,	100 00—\$11465 91
 Savings Bank tax dividend,	 786 95
Railroad tax,	38 89
Literary fund,	75 00
United States bounties,	960 00
S. H. Caldwell, Collector, estate,	174 04
Selectmen, old junk,	5 26—\$2040 14
 Tax list 1867,	 15777 98—\$15777 98
 Taxes abated, 1864-5-6, from S. H. Caldwell's list,	 231 08—\$231 08
 Asa Davis, Town Hall rent,	 67 00
E. H. Smith, Collector 1868,	500 00—\$567 00
	— \$30082 11

CREDIT.

State tax,	5237 50
County tax,	1564 50—\$6802 00

Brought over,

\$6802 00

Schools.

District No. 1,	\$644 25
“ “ 2,	164 16
“ “ 3,	184 62
“ “ 4,	91 50
“ “ 5,	122 75
“ “ 6,	153 10
“ “ 7,	162 70
“ “ 8,	79 30
“ “ 9,	276 10
“ “ 10,	47 12
“ “ 11,	65 08
Hancock,	8 44—\$1999 12

Library.

A. M Pendleton, chairman committee,	\$75 00
Farnum & Scott, catalogues,	90 00
A. M. Pendleton's services,	20 00—\$ 185 00
Interest on Notes,	\$2214 19
Endorsed on notes,	1761 07
Notes and interest,	7404 43—\$11379 69

Highways.

J. M. Collins,	\$69 40
J. Brackett,	29 50
R. H. Morrison,	4 50
J. T. Spofford,	5 56
C. Barber,	23 25
J. Stuart,	112 38
J. B. Pierce,	5 25
T. Little,	16 75
C. E. Partridge,	5 25
T. L. Hovey,	12 00
S. I. Vose,	9 75
C. Frost,	10 50
D. Gould,	4 42
S. Washburn,	16 50
S. Miller,	12 50
F. Field,	57 66
J. N. Dodge,	11 25—\$ 406 42
Carried forward,	\$20772 23

Brought forward,		\$20772 23
T. N. Hunt,	7 50	
A. Davis,	24 01	
J. Smith,	29 80	
J. H. Collins,	52 50	
O. Smith,	12 50	
S. Carey,	4 00	
G. W. Hadley,	2 00	
J. Longley,	15 00	
N. H. Moore,	42 16	
G. Shedd,	3 60	
D. Edes,	24 15	
B. Brackett,	16 00	
J. Turner,	1 50	
J. W. Holt,	50	
L. Tarbox,	2 63	
W. F. White,	6 00	
P. Saunders,	29 25	
J. M. Ramsey,	9 87	
B. Crosby & Sons,	26 00	
Town Farm, man and oxen,	6 50—\$	315 47

Bridges.

C. Blanchard,	\$1 25	
S. Hadley,	7 00	
C. R. Richardson,	2 00	
J. Cragin, lumber,	52 99	
C. Frost,	4 50	
G. P. Felt, iron,	6 70	
R. Richardson, lumber,	9 25	
Gowing & Washburn, lumber,	55 14	
S. Miller, lumber,	35 00	
A. Frost,	4 25	
M. Wilkins,	1 00—\$	179 08

Highway Snow Bills, 1866-7.

Asa Davis, Road Agent,	687 09
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Sidewalks on Main Street Bridge.

J. M. Collins, lumber,	\$28 32	
G. P. Felt, " "	56 08	
J. H. Vose, " "	26 00	
Gay, Munson & Co., iron,	118 04	
Fitchburg R. R., freight on iron,	4 86	
C. H. Brooks, " " "	5 12	
G. P. Felt, labor on iron,	74 60	
A. B. Emery, stone,	16 90—\$	329 92

Carried forward,	\$22283 79
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Brought over,		\$22283 79
J. N. Thayer, labor,	239 65	
E. B. Dodge, "	2 62	
Low & Greenwood, painting,	36 30—\$	278 57

Sidewalk on Grove Street Bridge.

A. Frost,	—\$	27 00
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Repairs on Town House.

G. T. Wheeler & Co., hardware,	\$4 42	
J. W. Macomber, labor,	9 18	
Low & Greenwood, painting,	172 49	
J. R. Miller, carpenter work,	1 50—\$	187 59

Poor and Insane.

Asa Davis, agent,	—\$	2122 29
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Abatements.

F. Robbe, 1866-7,	\$7 95	
M. Gowing, 1867,	62	
C. B. Chapman, "	62	
T. Scott, "	1 00	
Mrs. J. Felt, "	3 75	16
C. Blanchard, "	1 00	
S. Hadley, 1866,	1 00	
P. C. Wheeler, 1867,	7 50	
M. Powers, "	2 50	
B. Brackett, 1866,	3 19	
J. Lawrence, "	3 36	
A. Childs, "	4 00	
T. K. Ames, "	7 98	
M. Keelan, 1867,	3 00	
S. Miller, "	2 50	
S. H. Caldwell, collector's list 1864-5-6,	231 08	
J. I. B. F. Hardy, 1866,	6 28—\$	287 33

Town Officers.

J. M. Collins, }	\$145 47	
A. Davis, }	102 48	
S. I. Vose, }	70 75	
K. C. Scott, Clerk,	33 10	
E. H. Smith, Treasurer,	75 00	
S. I. Vose, for police,	25 00	
J. Scott, auditor 1865-7,	6 00	
S. I. Vose, auditor, 1867,	3 00	
F. Field, selectman 1866,	26 25	
C. H. Brooks, auditor 1866,	2 00—\$	489 05

Carried forward,	\$25675 62	
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Brought forward,		\$25675 62
J. R. Miller, librarian,	50 00	
E. M. Smith, School Committee,	15 00	
E. Lewis, " "	15 00	
S. H. Caldwell collecting \$1074.04 taxes 1866		
(collector's fees 5 per cent.),	53 70—\$	133 70

Incidentals.

D. Smiley, care of town clock,	\$30 00	
T. Oberfelder, damage from defect in highway,	5 00	
Swallow & Rourke, horse hire,	2 75	
A. Frost, sexton,	132 08	
E. B. Kimball, watering trough,	3 00	
F. Field, one sheep killed by dog,	3 00	
R. Forbush, surveying and drawing plan of new cemetery,	3 00	
Farnum & Scott, printing town reports 1866,	48 00	
" " publishing town warrant,	3 00	
Scott & Smith, insuring town house,	75 00	
Hatch & Lewis, " " "	52 00	
G. T. Wheeler & Co., record book,	7 75	
W. M. Parsons, damage from defect in highway	5 00	
A. M. Murphy, " " " " "	25 00	
Deluge Fire Engine Co. No. 2,	27 00	
B. M. Buckminster, land for cemetery,	650 00	
W. Washburn, " " "	160 00	
Mrs. M. Carter, watering trough,	1 50	
S. I. Vose, blank book,	1 50	
G. W. Farrar, railing iron,	3 32	
Farnum & Scott, blank receipts,	4 00	
Aquarius Fire Engine Co.,	57 38—\$	1299 28

Discount on Taxes Collected.

Collected before Sept. 15, \$24 4626—7		
per cent,	\$171 23	
" from Sept. 15 to Jan. 15, \$11514 31,		
5 per cent.,	575 71	
" on bank stock owned out of the State, \$65 00, 2 per cent.,	1 30—\$	748 24
Uncollected taxes Jan. 15, 1868,	—\$	1752 41
Cash in treasury,	—\$	472 86
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		\$30082 11

E. H. SMITH, TREASURER.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT.

Town of Peterboro' in account with Asa Davis, Road Agent
for 1868.

CREDIT.

By cash received of E. H. Smith, Treasurer, \$687 09

DEBTOR.

Paid for Breaking Roads for 1867.

Thomas Little,	\$20 06	Horace Holt,	3 25
Wm. Russell,	6 00	Benjamin Brackett,	6 68
Isaac D. White,	7 50	Chas. R. Richardson,	16 00
George A. Hayward,	3 00	Josiah Brackett & Con-	
Porter B. Weston,	2 62	day,	53 10
James Smiley,	3 50	Albert Sawyer,	10 50
Lewis Partridge,	6 88	John E. May,	2 90
Cyrus Frost,	2 50	Luke Tarbox,	3 34
Dea. Samuel Miller,	17 52	French Bruce,	2 60
J. M. Collins,	1 25	John Stuart,	32 95
John Little,	6 00	N. H. Moore,	6 50
Sampson Washburn,	25 00	Jacob Longley,	8 00
Charles McCoy, 2d,	7 00	John Smith,	15 97
Horace Evans,	5 75	Jerry Regan,	8 17
Rufus Moors and son,	7 44	John Waite,	3 00
Wm. H. Hadley,	6 75	Wm. D. Goss,	5 51
David Gould,	4 20	Josiah Stone,	4 00
Joel Hadley,	3 01	Stephen D. Robbe,	5 84
George W. Hadley,	1 06	Charles Barber,	14 75
Archelas Cragin,	8 12	George Shedd,	7 85
Joseph Tilson,	8 25	Samuel Carey,	8 29
Wm. F. White,	75	John T. Spofford,	6 82

John D. Diamond,	6 37	Ethan Hadley,	3 95
Nath'l Morrison & Son,	10 92	George Steele, 2nd,	1 20
Horatio Nelson,	7 75	Henry B. Wheeler,	1 75
H. Abbott,	22 89	Cyrus Blanchard,	10 43
Hadley & Clement,	7 63	Town farm, work of oxen,	32 75
David Blanchard,	6 29	John M. Ramsey,	2 00
Charles S. Gray,	5 28	Charles Goldthwaite,	1 50
William R. Dodd,	1 47	Asa F. Gowing,	2 00
Alvah Puffer,	12 87	Benj. Owen,	3 75
Timothy N. Hunt.	14 45	Morris Frye,	18 00
Leonard Nahor,	8 00	John Lynch,	96
B. & W. & W. Crosby,	48 75	Samuel McCoy,	1 50
John Cummings,	2 64	Henry McGuken,	42
Daniel Edes,	6 72		
P. R. Davis,	8 28		\$690 07
Asa Davis, labor and bills			
paid,	59 37	Balance due the agent,	\$2 98

ASA DAVIS, ROAD AGENT.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

Town of Peterborough in acct. with Asa Davis, Overseer of the Poor.

CREDIT.

By cash of E. H. Smith, Treasurer, \$2122 29

DEBTOR.

Paid tax to Dublin on meadow, 1866,	\$4 50
John Cragin, threshing and making cider,	7 32
French Bruce, boarding John Clark 12 weeks,	39 00
William R Dodd, boarding Sally Puffer 36 weeks,	126 00
“ “ “ “ John P. Marsh and wife,	69 00
Asa Davis, work in haying, &c.,	39 12
“ “ services as overseer of poor,	23 75
John L. Foss, work haying,	41 35
Taxes to Dublin on meadow, 1867,	4 75
E. W. McIntosh, for one harness,	25 00
Ephraim Holt, for Lydia Holt,	11 50

Samuel Mathews, Lydia Holt,	28 00
A. Z. Fuller, work haying,	17 25
C. C. Marcy, for meal,	35 20
James Scott, one sow with pigs,	32 44
Cyrus Frost, for seed corn,	64
Frank Bullard, shoe bill,	9 85
Sarah Ritchie, for assistance,	6 83
Concord, for Thomas McCoy and E. N. Badger,	465 59
John P. Marsh, salary for 1866,	300 00
Lydia Holt, for assistance,	8 76
Nathan Gould, assistance,	11 89
William R. Spofford, work haying,	7 50
L. & G. W. Holt, work on farm,	4 75
Elizabeth Whitcomb, assistance,	6 00
W. H. & S. P. Longley, meat bill,	27 03
Lewis Mattoon and wife, board of Lydia Holt,	177 68
H. Abbott & boy, work haying,	58 52
Assistance to Fife girl,	30 63
Albert Frost, coffin, &c., for Lydia Holt,	13 80
John H. Cutler, " " "	2 00
" " " at town farm,	4 00
Daniel Shedd, meat bill,	35 51
Asa Davis, bill crockery,	10 17
Samuel I. Vose, for stove and auction bill,	11 50
Seth C. Shattuck, haying,	7 50
S. H. Caldwell & Co., two stoves, tin ware, &c.,	97 65
George W. Farrar, blacksmith bill,	13 68
Overseer, bill furniture, &c.,	9 00
Amount bought by Sup't in sundries at farm,	43 48
Flour and corn by the overseer,	61 55
Sundry articles for new house, by the overseer,	19 87
Cloth to use at the farm, by overseer,	12 08
Grass seed " " " " "	9 92
Guano and super-phosphate, "	23 10
Sundry small bills paid by the overseer,	22 00
Bill groceries furnished " " "	91 10

\$2107 76

Balance in hands of the overseer, \$14 53

Due from the County.

Paid John H. Cutler, attendance on E. York,	\$5 00
Mrs. Duval, assistance by the overseer,	1 30
Morrill & Co., fare of Mary Ann Carter,	1 75
Entertaining strangers at the farm,	5 00

\$13 05

ASA DAVIS, Overseer of the Poor.

COST OF HOUSE ON THE POOR FARM.

Paid Seth C. Shattuck, labor,	\$52 28
William Russell, for shingles, clapboards, &c.,	156 61
John Swallow, for pine lumber,	75 00
J. M. Johnson, doors and sash,	69 40
Amos B. Emery, labor and stone,	31 25
George W. Marden, mason work,	12 00
L. & G. W. Holt, labor on house,	40 50
French Bruce, labor,	54 37
G. T. Wheeler & Co., hardware,	6 94
John H. Vose, lumber,	7 20
Horatio Nelson, "	65 20
William T. Lawrence, mason work,	56 37
H. Abbott & boy, labor,	80 75
Timothy L. Hovey, lumber,	11 00
Jeremiah Lawrence, mason work,	6 00
Asa Davis, services and labor,	158 59
" " bill hardware,	50 34
John A. Bullard, labor on house,	92 00
" " " for A. J. Robbins,	60 00
" " " " Amzi Mayo,	95 00
William B. Kimball, labor,	124 38
B. & W. & W. Crosby, lumber,	14 50
Low & Greenwood, glass, lead and oil,	69 00
Board of workmen on the house,	92 00
1000 feet standing timber,	25 00
John P. Marsh and oxen, labor,	75 00
Swallow & Rourke, horse-hire,	9 25
S. H. Caldwell & Co., lead, zinc, &c.,	36 21
George W. Farrar, blacksmith bill,	13 00
Amzi Childs, labor and planing boards,	33 54
J. Milton Mears, labor,	57 50
John Cragin, sawing and lumber,	195 57
William G. Livingston, bill hardware,	13 94
A. A. Farnsworth, plastering hair,	3 36

A. P. Morrison & Sons, lime,	28 80
G. P. Felt, laths,	7 35
James Scott, lime, lumber, &c.,	7 62
D. Roby & Co., cement,	10 00
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	\$1996 82
Amount recd. from farm, applied to building the house,	1070 85
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Balance due the overseer,	\$925 97

Amount received from the Farm and appropriated to building the House.

John T. Spofford, for hay,	\$6 83
Horatio Nelson, " "	2 10
Samuel Jewett, for oats,	2 25
Nathaniel Morrison, for hay,	5 20
French Bruce, for hay,	4 50
" " labor of oxen, and one pig,	6 00
" " pasturing two cows,	14 00
L. & G. W. Holt, one pig,	3 00
Daniel Edes, for hay,	6 72
" " note,	4 50
Peterborough Band, one bbl. apples,	4 00
William B. Kimball, one bbl. apples,	3 50
W. E. Davis, one bbl. apples,	3 50
Daniel Shedd, for pork,	44 80
" " one hide,	4 50
Jones & Davis, ox work,	6 00
Frank Smith, for beef,	80 00
" " note for beef,	150 00
Overseer, for hay, butter and cheese sold from farm,	30 50
" " butter, hay, cider and apples " "	126 95
County, by James Scott,	77 25
Board of workmen on the house,	92 00
Work of oxen and John P. Marsh,	75 00
George Livingston, for hay,	8 58
Amount sold from farm by superintendent,	43 48
William R. Dodd, two pigs and lot of wool,	7 94
Work of oxen on the roads,	32 75
1000 ft. of standing timber,	25 00
Wood sold from the farm,	200 00
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	\$1070 85

ASA DAVIS, Overseer.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

Liabilities, Feb. 1, 1868.

Amount of notes due to sundry persons,	\$54364 74
Amzi Childs, land damage for new road,	60 00
John P. Marsh, salary on town farm,	285 00
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Assets of the Town, Feb. 1, 1868.

Uncollected taxes for 1865-6,	\$434 69
" " " 1867,	1114 15
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	472 86
" " " Collector,	170 42
Due from the United States, as bounties,	1882 84
" " " Liquor Agent,	100 00
Rents due on Town House,	39 75
Due from Gilman May,	43 00
Bank taxes due the town,	238 75
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Balance against the town,	<hr/> \$50213 28

J. M. COLLINS,	}	Selectmen
ASA DAVIS,		of
SAM'L I. VOSE,		Peterborough.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of accounts, have this day examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer, Road Agent, and Overseer of the Poor Farm, and found them fully vouched and correctly cast.

F. LIVINGSTON,	}	AUDITORS.
JAMES SCOTT,		
AMZI CHILDS,		

February 20, 1868.

TOWN FARM.

Stock.

2 pair Oxen,	\$410 00	13 Sheep,	30 09
5 Cows,	240 00	1 Horse,	60 00
4 3 years old Heifers,	150 00	18 Hens,	9 00
7 2 " " "	160 00	1 Hog,	26 00
4 Calves,	50 00	5 Pigs,	17 00
			\$1182 00

Hay and Fodder.

11 tons English hay,	\$187 50	6½ tons second quality hay,	80 00
Clover hay,	19 00	10 tons meadow hay,	80 00
			\$366 50

Produce, Provisions, Lumber, &c.

16 bbls. apples,	\$4 00	28 lbs. soap grease,	2 00
30 bush. oats,	24 00	4 " sausages,	67
3 " barley,	4 00	½ " yarn,	75
20 " corn,	32 00	1 pair sled runners,	1 00
Rye and corn meal,	1 75	30 lbs. dried apple,	5 00
2½ bush. beans,	8 75	15 " fine salt,	37
35 lbs. ham,	4 37	3 " sugar,	54
5 " butter,	1 75	9 " B. sugar,	1 46
72 " cheese,	9 36	2 gals. molasses,	1 60
6 " rolls,	4 50	6 qts. boiled cider,	1 50
2 " sage,	67	10 lbs. tallow,	1 50
25 " grass seed,	4 17	1 lb. tea,	1 40
80 " salt pork and bbl.,	12 00	1 gal. vinegar,	50
75 " salt beef,	9 37	1 lb. saleratus,	12
58 gals. cider and casks,	14 00	½ " ginger,	24
20 " soap,	3 83	½ " coffee,	19
			\$198 86

Debts due the Town Farm.

Gilman May,	\$43 00	Joseph Noone, for lumber,	4 50
From County,	13 02		
			\$60 55

Appraisal of Farm, Feb. 1, 1868,	\$3600 00
Tools,	128 00
Stock,	1182 00
Hay and Fodder,	366 50
Produce, Provisions, Lumber, &c.,	198 86
Due from sundry persons,	52 50
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	\$5527 86

The number of Paupers assisted entirely by the town during the year, was two, with the addition of one five months. The number assisted at different times during the year was eight.

The above report is respectfully submitted.

ASA DAVIS, Overseer of the Poor.

Peterboro', Feb. 1, 1868.

ADDENDA.—In the report of the Superintending School Committee, a part of the report of District No. 6, summer term, Miss Mary J. Parker, teacher, through some inadvertance on the part of the writer of the report, was omitted in the copy furnished the printers. It should have read as follows : Miss Parker has had a large and successful experience as a teacher of common schools. She had a strong hold on the affections of her pupils, and fully sustained her previous reputation as an able and efficient teacher.

E. LEWIS, S. S. COMMITTEE.

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